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Public Advisory

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has extended until January 31, 2005 the public comment period on the Navy's Interim Plan to close the former open burning / open detonation (OBIOD) units at the Atlantic Fleet Weapons Training Facility (AFWTF) on Vieques Island, Puerto Rico. This interim plan contains details regarding proposed investigation measures that will be used to determine the process for final closure of the OBIOD.

Comments should be submitted in writing, or via e-mail, no later than January 31, 2005 to the following address:

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Interested individuals can view the Interim OB/OD Closure Plan on EPA's Web site at www.epa.gov/region2/vieques or at the following locations:

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